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## MOTOR CAR BREAKS AXLE; FIVE MEN ARE KILLED

The Phoenix Messenger brings the following account of the motor car wreck on the Santa Fe Ry., near Wickenburg which occurred on Tuesday of last week:

Five men were killed, one fatally hurt and four injured about 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon when the railway motor car in which they were riding went over an embankment three miles north of Wickenburg. All were officials and employees of the Santa Fe, some of them holding high positions, including the superintendent and assistant superintendent of the Albuquerque division, of which Phoenix is a part, and the assistant chief engineer for all the Santa Fe coast lines.

### The Dead and Injured

William Mathie, Winslow, division superintendent.

H. C. Story, Prescott, assistant division superintendent.

Jack A. Jaeger, Prescott, assistant division engineer.

W. S. Bowman, Wickenburg, roadmaster, Prescott-Phoenix district.

W. H. Oliver, Los Angeles, engineer grand division, equivalent to assistant chief engineer for all the coast lines; fatally hurt, died on way to Phoenix.

The injured:

J. E. McNeill, Los Angeles, general track and roadway inspector for the coast lines, right shoulder broken, cut and bruised.

Frank D. Kinnie, Winslow, assistant division engineer, right arm broken, two ribs broken, badly bruised.

W. F. Martin, Prescott, assistant general bridge and building foreman Albuquerque division, cut and bruised.

Roy Stephenson, Prescott, chauffeur, C. Klein, Winslow, division engineer, Albuquerque division, scratched and slightly bruised.

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### On Inspection Trip

The ten men who composed the party, including nearly every high official of the Santa Fe lines in Arizona, left Prescott at 8:40 o'clock on an inspection trip to Phoenix, expecting to arrive late in the afternoon. Instead the party came in at 6 o'clock on a special train consisting of locomotive and caboose, five dead, five hurt and bleeding.

The accident, the most serious of its kind in the state in recent years in number killed, was caused by the breaking of the front axle of the railroad automobile, a Pope-Hartford with special body, elaborately equipped to serve as a private car for flying trips. Stephenson, the driver, estimated the car was going 30 miles an hour.

When the axle broke the car swerved sharply to the right and plunged down a 10-foot embankment turning completely over at least once. Mathie, Story and Bowman were crushed under the car. Oliver pinned partly under it, and Jaeger and the others thrown clear. Klein, the least injured, flagged a freight train which was following closely after the car when it came up five or ten minutes later.

### Brought in on Special Train

Jesse Davis, conductor of the freight, rushed his train into Wickenburg and returned with the only doctor and nurse who could be found. The injured were given first aid and the train proceeded into the village. There the locomotive and caboose were removed to form the special train which rushed the dead and living to Phoenix, with right of way over everything.

Mathie, Story and Bowman were dead when they were removed from beneath the car. Oliver lived for an hour and a half, dying about 5 o'clock in the car on the way to Phoenix. Jaeger lived fifteen minutes after being picked up. The others were able to walk, though several were stunned by the impact.

A crowd of about 100 people, made up of railroad men, ambulance crews, physicians and the curious was waiting here at Fourth avenue and Jackson street when the special train arrived. By the light of lanterns and auto lamps the injured were assisted to waiting ambulances and motor cars to be hurried to St. Joseph's hospital, while the bodies of the dead were taken to local undertaking establishments.

Stephenson was the only unmarried man in the party, and probably the youngest, most of the others being of middle age. Mathie is survived by his widow and three children; Story by a widow and two daughters; Jaeger by a widow and three children, and Bowman by his widow. Nothing is known here of Oliver's family except he was married.

**SNOW IN BISBEE**  
Bisbee, Ariz., Nov. 29—Snow, the first in almost a year, started falling shortly before midnight tonight.

## ANTI-TUBERCULOSIS SOCIETY LAUNCHES CAMPAIGN FOR FUNDS

The Arizona Anti-Tuberculosis Association, who have offices at the State Capitol in Phoenix, and under whose auspices the Fourteenth Annual Christmas Seal Sale is being conducted, commencing December 1, is in receipt of a letter from President Harding endorsing the movement. At the Third Annual Convention of the American Legion held in Kansas City, that organization passed a resolution pledging the support of the Legion everywhere in the Christmas Seal campaign for necessary funds with which to carry on the good work.

Samuel Gompers, President of The American Federation of Labor, has also written the National Tuberculosis Association commending the work of the anti-tuberculosis associations throughout the country and expressing his belief that union labor should lend its support to the Christmas Seal Sale.

The Tuberculosis Christmas Seals was placed on sale throughout Arizona on December 1st. Local committees have been organized in every county and in nearly every town in the state. Support has been pledged to the seal sale by the women's clubs, school authorities, chambers of commerce and fraternal organizations. The State Christmas Seal Committee has set \$30,000.00 as the goal to be reached in the state-wide sale. Ninety percent of the funds raised in Arizona will remain in Arizona for work in this state. One of the principal objects of the State Association for the year 1922 is to establish a preventorium for the care of children who are predisposed to tuberculosis. Preventoriums of this nature have been established in late years by many states and have been productive of excellent results. It has been proven that often a few months' care of such children by expert nurses and physicians, a properly balanced diet of nourishing food, together with supervised rest and recreation will restore to normal health and strength children who are predisposed to tuberculosis. In ninety percent of such cases the possibilities of a breakdown with tuberculosis in later life can be prevented. Funds secured from the sale of the Christmas Seals will also be used for employing visiting nurses, relief for both child and adult cases of tuberculosis, hot lunches for school children; establishing of open-air schools and class rooms and an educational program through the conducting of the Modern Health Crusade which has for its purpose the teaching of good health habits to all the children of the state.

At the Annual Meeting and Dinner of the State Tuberculosis Association on Thursday evening, November 17th in Phoenix, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Governor Thomas E. Campbell.

1st. Vice President, Rev. B. R. Cocks, Phoenix.

2nd. Vice President, Dr. Samuel H. Watson, Tucson.

3rd. Vice President, Mrs. Dwight B. Heard, Phoenix.

Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. W. Warner Watkins, Phoenix.

T. C. Cuvellier, Executive Secretary.

### ARIZONA EXPRESS RATE

Phoenix, Ariz., Nov. 28—The request of the American Railway Express company for a 26 per cent increase in its rates in Arizona, which was denied recently by the state corporation commission, will come up for hearing before the interstate commerce commission here on December 8; it was announced today.

The hearing originally was set for Dec. 5, but was postponed for three days at the request of the Express company.

### BANS ARIZONA COMPANY

Phoenix, Ariz., Nov. 28—An injunction, permanently restraining the Arizona Fire Insurance company from doing business in Arizona and an order directing that the state corporation commission assume charge of its affairs, were issued in the superior court here today. Both were issued at the request of Attorney General W. J. Galbraith, acting for the state corporation commission.

### APPEALS FROM DEATH SENTENCE

Phoenix, Ariz., Nov. 28—The appeal of Theodore West, convicted of having murdered Len Smith, was filed in the state supreme court today. Notice of the appeal was filed in the Mohave county superior court, where West was convicted, in time to delay the execution of West which originally was set for November 4.

### FIRE IN CANAHEA

Nogales, Ariz., Nov. 29—Nearly an entire block of buildings in Cananea, Sonora, were destroyed by fire last Thursday, according to word received today by F. J. Dyer, American Consul in Nogales, Sonora.

## Grist Gathered at Court House

Mary Eva Haynie has this week filed her petition for a decree of divorce from her husband Earl Word Haynie in the Superior Court. The plaintiff alleging in her complaint that for more than one year immediately last past the defendant has failed and refused to provide the plaintiff and her minor child with the common necessities of life, although being fully able so to do; plaintiff also asks for the permanent care and custody of the minor child, Douglas, aged four years and for an attorney fee in the sum of \$125.00, and a monthly allowance of \$50.00 for the support and maintenance of said minor child.

John S. Thompson has filed an action against R. R. Miller for the recovery of the sum of \$1741.51, being the principal and interest due on a note given the plaintiff by the defendant. A writ of Attachment was issued herein and property of the defendant on Eagle Creek and in Clifton was attached. Attorneys Elliott and Lynch represent the plaintiff and Messrs. Horton and Ling represent the defendant.

The final account of the Gila Valley Bank and Trust Company, acting as the Guardian of the estate of Maria de la Luz Gomez, a minor were allowed and settled this week and the Guardian discharged from its trust.

In the case of Juan Siatian, vs. Segundo Sierra, et al., in which the plaintiff recently applied for a permanent injunction restraining the defendants from selling, killing and slaughtering from a certain brand of cattle, said plaintiff holding a note in the sum of two thousand dollars as a part of the purchase price of the cattle, the court denied the application. Attorney E. V. Horton for the plaintiff immediately filed a supersedeas bond in the sum of \$500.00 and the court order a stay of the proceedings.

The case of the Peoples Bank and Trust Company, vs. J. W. Hackney and J. C. Smith was tried before the court on Monday of this week and judgment rendered in favor of the plaintiff in the sum of \$168.26, costs and attorneys fees in the sum of \$37.40. The above sum was found due and owing on a note given by the defendants to the plaintiff which

note was secured by a chattel mortgage on certain mules and horses owned by the defendants.

Judge of the Superior Court of Graham County, W. R. Chambers held sessions in the Superior Court on Wednesday and Thursday of this week. A motion for a new trial in the case of The Morency Inspiration Copper Mining Co. vs. J. C. Bartlett and J. A. Hagan, was denied.

The motion for a new trial in the case of John S. Thompson, vs. R. R. Miller, in which judgment for the plaintiff was recently entered, was overruled by operation of law, and the defendant granted a fifteen day stay of execution.

### RECORDED INSTRUMENTS

Patent—United States of America to William T. Johnson.

Satisfaction of Mortgage—American National Bank to Frank Balke, et al.

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State Bank of Morency to Francisco Pecoti.

Warranty Deeds—Mrs. Elizabeth Paddock to Robert Phillips, et al.

R. R. Miller et. ux. to Fred Johnson.

Sheriff's Certificate of Sale—First National Bank of Douglas vs. C. M. Short and Louisa Short.

Chattel Mortgage—Frank Balke, et. ux. to The City Mortgage Company.

B. A. Bonzales to First National Bank.

R. T. Bishop to R. L. Bailey.

Francisco Recote to State Bank of Morency.

N. O. Wright to R. L. Bailey.

T. E. Greenwade to W. M. Jackson.

Bond and Oath of Office—Ben C. Fehrman, as Clerk, Superior Court.

Writ of Attachment—John S. Thompson vs. R. R. Miller.

Notice of Settlement on Land—Of Mrs. Lillie Smith.

United States Navy Discharge—U. S. A. to Bernardo Anbel Gonzalez.

Bill of Sale—E. Schwab to J. S. Chesser.

J. E. Arnett to Manuel Armendariz.

## MEXICAN KIDNAPERS IN TOILS AT NOGALES

Facing punishment by death, if found guilty, Gabriel Cons, manager of the Fronterizo hotel of Nogales, Sonora, and Manuel Alcoverde, have been arrested in Nogales, Sonora, and are now being held in solitary confinement at the jail in that city, pending trial on a charge of kidnaping, growing out of the trial of W. H. Smith in Nogales, Arizona, last week.

Cons is manager of the hotel where Justice of the Peace William C. Jack of Douglas, and C. P. Eldson of Beville, Texas, were taken after being kidnapped from Nogales, Arizona, to Nogales, Sonora. Jack and Eldson having come to Nogales to be character witnesses for the state in the Smith trial.

Smith who was former city clerk of Nogales, was found guilty of embezzling city funds, and is now in the Nogales, Arizona, jail awaiting sentence.

According to statements made by Jack and Eldson, Smith took part in the kidnaping, which included taking the two men to Nogales, Sonora, and placing them under guard in the Fronterizo hotel, where Jack was kept two days and one night, and Eldson was kept two days and two nights until rescued by American and Mexican officials.

He said that the maximum punishment for kidnaping, under the laws of Mexico, is death, and the minimum three years imprisonment.

The date of the trial of the two men has not been set. Judge Ainslie said today that he would like to have a further conference with Chief Love and Mr. Eldson.

American Consul F. J. Dyer of Nogales, Sonora, is pressing for prosecution of the two men by Mexican authorities.

## URGES EARLY MAILING OF XMAS GIFTS

In order to fully appreciate a Christmas present it should be received by the person for whom it is intended on or before Christmas Day—before the holiday spirit has begun to wane, and when that day is yet to come. For this reason it is suggested by the local postoffice for the benefit of those who expect to mail holiday parcels to their friends or relatives that they do so early.

Since the ordinary daily mails are equally as heavy during the holiday season as at any other time of the year, one can easily understand what an increased burden is added to the mail service when hundreds of thousands of holiday parcels, some of which originate at every postoffice in the country, are suddenly added to the regular mails.

In order to facilitate the prompt dispatch and delivery of holiday parcels they should be packed so as to make a solid package, wrapped securely with plenty of good, strong wrapping paper, well tied with stout twine, and plainly addressed, prefe-

ably with ink. They should also contain the return card of the sender on the upper left corner of the package. Do not seal with mucilage or paste of any kind, nor with Red Cross seals or Christmas labels, unless you wish the package to go at the letter rate.

Parcels may be marked: "Do not open until Christmas," and written inscriptions, such as "Merry Christmas," "Happy New Year," "With Best Wishes," etc., are permissible. A letter or note of any kind inside the package renders the entire package subject to postage at the letter rate.

It is a good plan to insure all the parcels you send; the extra charge for this service is very small. The sender should also be able to state the nature of the contents of each parcel.

Postmaster General Hays under date of November 22nd issued a special message to the Boys and Girls of the United States, which will be read in the public schools throughout the country during the week com-

## ELKS MEMORIAL ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON AT THE AUDITORIUM

The beautiful Elks Memorial Service will be held at the Auditorium on Sunday afternoon next at 3:30 P. M. when the members of this fraternal order will pay tribute to their departed. The general public is invited to these services which consist of a sacred musical and ritualistic program. The pastors of the Methodist, Presbyterian and Baptist churches will assist in the ceremonies and the services will consist of the following program:

Program  
Prelude—Andante Movement, Sonata Pathétique—Beethoven.

MISS HELEN STOKES  
Opening Ceremonies—Lodge.

Solo—Resignation—Roma  
MRS. ROSCO STAPP

Quartette—The King of Love My Shepherd Is—Shelley.

MRS. W. H. NEILL, Soprano  
MRS. ROSCO STAPP, Contralto,  
MR. HENRY WILLIAMS, Tenor  
BRO. DAVID THOMPSON, Bass.

MISS HELEN STOKES, Accompanist.  
Solo—Abide With Me—Liddle.

MISS ELIZABETH MORGAN  
Address—Rev. F. W. Thomas.  
Duet—Oh, Divine Redeemer—Gonod.

MISS ELIZABETH MORGAN, Soprano  
MR. C. E. HULL, Tenor  
Accompanist, Mrs. R. P. Pyle.

Quartette—One Sweetly Solemn Thought—Ambrose.  
Closing Ceremonies—Lodge

Benediction—Rev. J. Crumpton.  
Officers

Frank H. Springer, Exalted Ruler,  
E. V. Horton, Esteemed Leading Knight.

W. A. Smith, Esteemed Loyal Knight.  
W. E. Munroe, Esteemed Lecturing Knight.

E. C. Fitzgerald, Treasurer.  
G. L. Cashion, Secretary.  
George Reitzer, Esquire.  
W. H. Neill, Chaplain.

H. K. Martin, Inner Guard.  
Henry White, Tiler.

Sam Abraham, C. W. Beck, J. G. Cooper—Trustees

Geo. Reitzer, E. V. Horton, J. M. Frankel, N. G. Hardy, David Thompson, Geo. R. Drysdale.

**SISTER OF SLAIN MAN  
TO TESTIFY AGAINST  
RUBY, ARIZ., BANDIT**

Nogales, Ariz., Nov. 28—Miss Irene Pearson, 17 years old, of Liberty Hill, Texas, arrived here today to testify for the state in the trial of Placido Silvas, scheduled to be begun in the superior court here on December 1. Silvas is charged with the murder of Postmaster Frank Pearson, brother of Miss Pearson, and Mrs. Pearson at Ruby, Ariz., on August 26.

Miss Pearson was visiting at her brother's home last summer and was in his store the morning that seven bandits appeared there and asked for some tobacco. Miss Pearson went to get the tobacco and then the bandits opened fire, killing Mr. and Mrs. Pearson and wounding the latter's sister, Miss Elizabeth Purcell. Miss Pearson, Miss Purcell and the Pearson's four year old daughter escaped from the building while the bandits robbed the store and postoffice.

Silvas denies that he was one of the band that committed the crimes at Ruby.

**THOMAS R. MARSHALL HAS  
OFFICE IN ARIZONA CAPITOL**

Thomas R. Marshall former vice-president, is occupying an office in Arizona's state house.

In one of the committee rooms adjoining the house of representatives Mr. Marshall will carry on his work this winter. He will attend to a vast amount of correspondence and other business in the office which will be his through the courtesy of Governor Thomas E. Campbell.

Mr. Marshall does not intend to spend all his time at his desk, but will motor in from Scottsdale on an average of one day a week. His other days will be spent in the open in the Scottsdale home, built when he was vice-president, and where he has been established a few weeks of each year for the past several years.

With Mrs. Marshall, the former vice-president arrived in Arizona on Sunday and will be here until spring.

meencing December 5th. The Postmaster General requests the boys and girls in this message to lend their assistance in mailing Xmas packages early, and adds: "Think what it means to be Santa Claus to over 100 million people and to deliver Christmas parcels to every family in this great country within the short space of a few days and without disappointment. It can be done and we are going to do it if we may have your help. I want to enlist the active assistance of every boy and girl in the schools of our country in getting parcels mailed THIS WEEK to relieve the rush that comes directly before Christmas."

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## WALTER DOUGLAS IS EXPECTED HERE NEXT WEEK

According to well authenticated reports Walter Douglas, President of Phelps Dodge Corporation, accompanied by P. G. Beckett, General Manager, will return to the Clifton-Morency district on Tuesday or Wednesday of next week, at which time it is confidently expected that he will then issue a statement regarding the program of organization and operations for his company which is awaited with such keen interest by the general public.

Since leaving Clifton last week Mr. Douglas has visited Nacozari, El Paso, Douglas and Bisbee making a general survey of local conditions and the progress of development and construction work which has been carried on in the Arizona and Mexico camps where his company is operating.

Upon his arrival in Douglas a reporter for the International fared no better than the Copper Era man in securing a definite statement regarding the copper situation and the resumption of production. Under date of November 24th, the International carried the following story:

"The regular train from El Paso yesterday morning brought an El Paso & Southwestern private car carrying several important officials of the Phelps Dodge corporation. The party included Walter Douglas and P. G. Beckett, of the P. D. company and President T. H. Schumacher and General Manager Sweet, of the El Paso & Southwestern Railroad company. This is the first visit of Mr. Douglas to the west since the production of copper was discontinued by his company last spring. He and his party came here direct from Clifton where they had been for one day.

"Mr. Douglas stated to a representative of the Daily International, who visited him in his car that no announcement had been made yet as to future activities in the Clifton-Morency district, but that after returning there perhaps during the next week he would make known some conclusions as to the future of that district. Mr. Douglas further said that he had no announcement to make at this time as to when there would be more activity of the copper industry in the west, or just when copper production would be resumed.

In regard to the general condition of the copper industry Mr. Douglas said that it had been making good recovery recently and that he regarded the advance in price of the red metal at that rate of about half cent per month during the past sixty days as all that should be desired by the producers.

Since the Phelps Dodge corporation closed its various reduction plants in the southwest it has been continuing important development in its mines in the Warren district and at Nacozari where also important mill work has been under way during the past summer and fall. At Bisbee a new 4000-ton concentrator is now nearing completion while at Nacozari the Moctezuma mill is being doubled in capacity and important additions have been under way at the power house; this work will not be completed for several months yet. His visit here now is for the purpose of making an inspection of the work which has been going on since his last visit.

"The party will return through Douglas Saturday evening en route to El Paso where Mr. Douglas has an engagement for Sunday. From El Paso he will return to Arizona and before returning to his headquarters he is expected to come to Bisbee and Douglas for a stay of several days.

"Mr. Beckett said that he was not returning to Douglas to remain permanently for the present, as conditions now did not demand his presence here. He will probably remain here during the visit of Mr. Douglas to El Paso.

"President Schumacher, of the Southwestern stated that he had no announcement of any importance to make concerning the railroad enterprise now under control, recently increased by the purchase of the Arizona & New Mexico line which reaches the Clifton-Morency district from Hachita, New Mexico and the narrow gauge lines which reach the mining properties in that district.

### WIDOW GETS DAMAGES FROM HUSBAND'S SLAYER

Tombstone, Ariz., Nov. 29—Hals Chenoweth, convicted in 1919 of slaying Claude McDowell and pardoned after serving a year in the state penitentiary, was today directed by a jury to pay \$15,000 damages to Mrs. Edna McDowell, widow of the slain man. Mrs. McDowell had filed suit for \$50,000.00.

Chenoweth, during his trial in 1919, claimed to have shot McDowell in self-defense following an altercation on the McDowell ranch, several miles from this city.

Don't Forget the Community Bazaar at Auditorium, Saturday, December 3